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SUBJECT: JAPANESE CONCERN FOR PHYSICAL SECURITY OF PROPOSED  
PHILIPPINE NUCLEAR REACTOR

REF: MANILA 2360

1. JAPANESE EMBOFF'S COMMENTS ON POLITICAL/SECURITY  
SITUATION IN THE PHILIPPINES SEEM TO HAVE MISCAST  
SOMEWHAT GOJ ATTITUDE. GOJ INDEED REGARDS THE PHILIPPINES  
AND SINGAPORE AS MOST STABLE ASEAN STATES. JAPANESE  
INVESTMENT HAS RESULTED FROM THIS ASSESSMENT. NEVERTHELESS,  
AS A RESULT OF KIDNAPPINGS AND PIRACY IN AND NEAR THE  
PHILIPPINES, OF WHICH JAPANESE HAVE BEEN THE FREQUENT  
VICTIMS, RANDOM ATTACKS AGAINST ANY NUCLEAR OR OTHER  
FACILITY IN THE PHILIPPINES CAN CLEARLY NOT CATEGORICALLY BE  
RULED OUT. FONOFF DEP DIRGEN UN BUREAU OTSUKA HAS VOICED  
SUCH CONCERNS TO US WITHIN THE PAST MONTH, SPECIFICALLY  
REFERRING TO THE PROPOSED NUCLEAR PLANT SALE.

2. WE ALSO DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH NEW SCIENTIFIC  
AFFAIRS DIVDIR OTA. OTA SAID  
THAT UNLIKE ATTITUDE TOWARD POLICIES OF FRG AND FRANCE  
GOJ WAS CONFIDENT THAT US POLICY REGARDING SAFEGUARDS  
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FOR NUCLEAR PLANT EXPORT WOULD BE PRUDENT AND EVEN MORE

STRINGENT THAN IAEA SAFEGUARDS STANDARDS. HE WAS ASSURED THAT WE ARE ALSO WELL AWARE OF THE POTENTIAL FOR TERRORIST ATTACK AGAINST ANY SUCH INSTALLATION IN THE PHILIPPINES AND WOULD, WITH THE GOP, TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO ENSURE SECURITY FOR THE PLANT. HE WOULD CONTACT US FURTHER IF THERE ARE LATER DEVELOPMENTS OR THOSE OF WHICH HE IS UNAWARE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED SALE TO MANILA.

3. WE ASSUME HATORI WAS INSTRUCTED BY FONOFF TO LOOK INTO PROPOSED SALE, BUT HIS RECENT ASSIGNMENT IN SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS WORKING ON NPT MAY HAVE COLORED HIS COMMENTS. SHOESMITH

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